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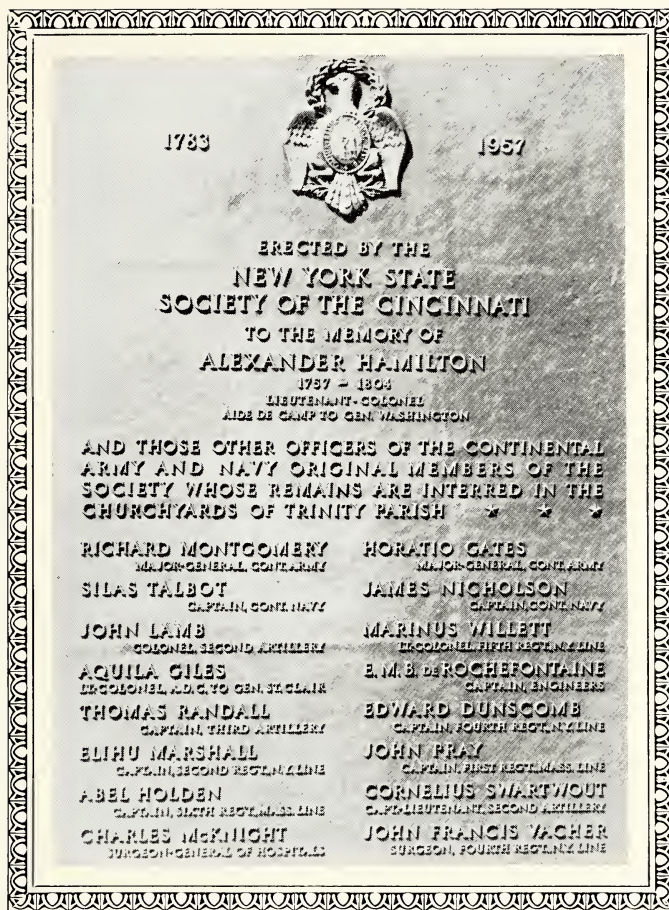
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## The Institution of the Society of the Cincinnati

The New York State Society of the Cincinnati is one of the fourteen constituent Societies (one for each of the thirteen original states and France) composing the General Society of the Cincinnati which was formed after the close of the American Revolutionary War by the commissioned officers of the Continental Army.

The agreement or compact by which the General Society was created was designated the Institution. It reads as follows:

### INSTITUTION

Cantonment of the American Army, on Hudson's River,  
10th May, 1783.

PROPOSALS for establishing a Society, upon principles therein mentioned, whose members shall be officers of the American Army, having been communicated to the several regiments of the respective lines, they appointed an officer from each who, in conjunction with the general officers, should take the same into consideration at their meeting this day, at which the Honorable MAJOR-GENERAL BARON DE STEUBEN, the senior officer present, was pleased to preside.

The proposals being read, fully considered, paragraph by paragraph, and the amendments agreed to, Major-General Knox, Brigadier-General Hand, Brigadier-General Huntington and Captain Shaw, were chosen to revise the same, and to prepare a copy to be laid before this assembly at their next meeting, to be holden at Major-General Baron de Steuben's quarters, on Tuesday, the 13th instant.

Tuesday, May 13th, 1783.

The representatives of the American Army, being assembled agreeably to adjournment, the plan for establishing a Society whereof the officers of the American Army are to be members, is accepted and is as follows, viz.:

"It having pleased the Supreme Governor of the Universe, in the disposition of human affairs, to cause the separation of the Colonies of North America from the domination of Great Britain, and after a bloody conflict of eight years, to establish them Free,

Independent and Sovereign States, connected by alliances founded on reciprocal advantage, with some of the great Princes and Powers of the Earth.

"To perpetuate therefore, as well the remembrance of this vast event, as the mutual friendships, which have been formed under the pressure of common danger, and in many instances cemented by the blood of the parties, the Officers of the American Army do hereby, in the most solemn manner associate, constitute and combine themselves into one SOCIETY OF FRIENDS, to endure as long as they shall endure, or any of their eldest male posterity and, in failure thereof, the collateral branches who may be judged worthy of becoming its supporters and members.

"The Officers of the American Army having generally been taken from the citizens of America, possess high veneration for the character of that illustrious Roman, LUCIUS QUINTIUS CINCINNATUS; and being resolved to follow his example by returning to their citizenship, they think they may with propriety denominate themselves: THE SOCIETY OF THE CINCINNATI.

"The following principles shall be immutable and form the basis of the Society of the Cincinnati:

"AN INCESSANT ATTENTION TO PRESERVE INVIOULATE THOSE EXALTED RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES OF HUMAN NATURE FOR WHICH THEY HAVE FOUGHT AND BLED AND WITHOUT WHICH THE HIGH RANK OF A RATIONAL BEING IS A CURSE INSTEAD OF A BLESSING.

"AN UNALTERABLE DETERMINATION TO PROMOTE AND CHERISH, BETWEEN THE RESPECTIVE STATES THAT UNION AND NATIONAL HONOR SO ESSENTIALLY NECESSARY TO THEIR HAPPINESS AND THE FUTURE DIGNITY OF THE AMERICAN EMPIRE.

"TO RENDER PERMANENT THE CORDIAL AFFECTION SUBSISTING AMONG THE OFFICERS. THIS SPIRIT WILL DICTATE BROTHERLY KINDNESS IN ALL THINGS AND PARTICULARLY EXTEND TO THE MOST SUBSTANTIAL ACTS OF BENEFICENCE, ACCORDING TO THE ABILITY OF THE SOCIETY, TOWARDS THOSE OFFICERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHO UNFORTUNATELY MAY BE UNDER THE NECESSITY OF RECEIVING IT.

"The General Society will, for the sake of frequent communications, be divided into State Societies and these again, into such districts as shall be directed by the State Societies.

"The Societies of the districts to meet as often as shall be agreed upon by the State Society, those of the State on the Fourth day of July annually or oftener if they shall find it expedient and the General Society on the first Monday in May, annually, so long as they shall deem necessary, and afterwards, at least once in every three years.

"At each meeting the principles of the Institution will be fully considered and the best measures to promote them adopted.

"The State Societies will consist of all the members resident in each State, respectively; and any member removing from one State to another, is to be considered in all respects as belonging to the Society of the State in which he shall actually reside.

"The State Societies to have a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, to be chosen annually, by a Majority of Votes, at the State meeting.

"Each State meeting shall write annually or oftener if necessary, a circular letter to the State Societies, noting whatever they may think worthy of observation, respecting the good of the Society or the general Union of the States and giving information of the officers chosen for the current year: copies of these letters shall be regularly transmitted to the Secretary-General of the Society, who will record them in a book to be assigned for that purpose.

"The State Society will regulate everything respecting itself and the Societies of its districts consistent with the general maxims of the Cincinnati, judge of the qualifications of the members who may be proposed and expel any member who, by a conduct inconsistent with a Gentleman and a man of honor, or by an opposition to the interest of the Community in general or the Society in particular, may render himself unworthy to continue a member.

"In order to form funds which may be respectable and assist the unfortunate, each officer shall deliver to the Treasurer of the State Society one month's pay, which shall remain forever to the use of the State Society; the Interest only of which, if necessary, to be appropriated to the relief of the unfortunate.

"Donations may be made by persons not of the Society and by members of the Society, for the express purpose of forming

permanent funds for the use of the State Society and the interest of these donations appropriated in the same manner as that of the month's pay.

"Monies, at the pleasure of each member, may be subscribed in the Societies of the districts or the State Societies, for the relief of the unfortunate members, or their widows and orphans, to be appropriated by the State Society only.

"The meeting of the General Society shall consist of its officers and a representation from each State Society, in number not exceeding five, whose expenses shall be borne by their respective State Societies.

"In the general meeting, the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer-Generals shall be chosen to serve until the next meeting.

"The circular letters which have been written by the respective State Societies to each other and their particular laws shall be read and considered, and all measures concerted which may conduce to the general intendment of the Society.

"It is probable that some persons may make donations to the General Society for the purpose of establishing a fund for the further comfort of the unfortunate, in which case, such donations must be placed in the hands of the Treasurer-General, the interest only of which to be disposed of, if necessary, by the General meeting.

"All the Officers of the American Army, as well as those who have resigned with honor, after three years service in the capacity of officers, or who have been deranged by the resolutions of Congress upon the several reforms of the Army, as those who shall have continued to the end of the war, have the right to become parties to this institution. Provided that they subscribe one month's pay and sign their names to the general rules, in their respective State Societies, those who are present with the army immediately, and others within six months after the Army shall be disbanded, extraordinary cases excepted; the rank, time of service, resolution of Congress by which they have been deranged, and place of residence must be added to each name—and as a testimony of affection to the memory and the offspring of such officers as have died in the service, their eldest male branches shall have the same right of becoming members, as the children of the actual members of the Society.

"Those officers who are Foreigners, not resident in any of the States, will have their names enrolled by the Secretary-General, and are to be considered as members in the Societies of any of the States in which they may happen to be.

"And as there are, and will at all times be, men in the respective States, eminent for their abilities and Patriotism, whose views may be directed to the same laudable objects with those of the Cincinnati, it shall be a rule to admit such characters as honorary members of the Society, for their own lives only. Provided always, That the number of honorary members in each State, does not exceed a ratio of one to four of the officers or their descendants.

"Each State Society shall obtain a list of its members and at the first annual meeting, the State Secretary shall have engrossed on parchment, two copies of the Institution of the Society, which every member present shall sign, and the Secretary shall endeavor to procure the signature of every member that is absent. One of those lists to be transmitted to the Secretary-General, to be kept in the archives of the Society, and the other to remain in the hands of the State Secretary.

"From the State lists, the Secretary-General must make out, at the first general meeting, a complete list of the whole Society, with a copy of which he will furnish each State Society.

"The Society shall have an order, by which its members shall be known and distinguished, which shall be a medal of gold, of a proper size to receive the emblems, and suspended by a deep blue ribbon two inches wide, edged with white, descriptive of the union of America and France.

"The principal figure, Cincinnatus; three Senators presenting him with a sword and other military ensigns; on a field in the background, his wife standing at the door of their cottage; near it a plow and instruments of husbandry; round the whole,

OMNIA RELIQUIT SERVARE  
REMPUBLICAM

"on the reverse,

Sun rising; a city with open gates and vessels entering the port; Fame crowing Cincinnatus with a wreath inscribed

## VIRTUTIS PRAEMIUM

"below,  
Hands join'd supporting a heart with the motto

## ESTO PERPETUA

"round the whole,

SOCIETAS CINCINNATORUM INSTITUTA A. D. 1783.

"The Society, deeply impressed with a sense of the generous assistance this country has receiv'd from France, and desirous of perpetuating the friendships which have been form'd and so happily subsisted between the Officers of the Allied Forces in the prosecution of the War, direct that the President-General transmit as soon as may be, to each of the Characters hereafter named, a medal containing the Order of the Society:

"His Excellency The Chevalier De La Luzerne, Minister Plenipotentiary,

"His Excellency The Sieur Gerard, Late Minister Plenipotentiary,

"Their Excellencys,

"The Count D'Estaing

"The Count De Grasse

"The Count De Barras

"The Chevalier Des Touches

"Admirals and commanders in the Navy

"His Excellency The Count De Rochambeau, Commander-in-Chief, and the Generals and Colonels in his Army, and acquaint them, that the Society do themselves the honor to consider them members.

"We the Subscribers, Officers of the American Army, do hereby become voluntarily parties to the foregoing Institution, and do bind ourselves to observe and be governed by the principles therein contained, for the performance whereof we do solemnly pledge to each other our sacred honor.

"DONE in the Cantonment on HUDSON'S RIVER, 1783."

The document was adopted by the assembled officers of the Army after consideration which extended through two meetings, one at New Windsor, N. Y., in the Temple, or Public Building, May 10, 1783, and again at General Steuben's headquarters near Fishkill Landing (now Beacon), N. Y., on May 13th, 1783. It was then

"RESOLVED, That a copy of the foregoing Institution be given to the Senior Officer of each State Line and that the officers of the respective State Lines sign their names to the same, in manner and form following, viz.:

"We the Subscribers, Officers of the American Army, do hereby voluntarily become parties to the foregoing Institution and do bind ourselves to observe and be governed by the principles therein contained,—for the performance whereof we do solemnly pledge to each other our sacred honor.

"Done in the Cantonment on Hudson's River in the year 1783.

"That the members of the Society, at the time of subscribing their names to the Institution, do also sign a draft on the Paymaster General in the following terms: The Regiments to do it regimentally, and the Generals and other officers not belonging to regiments, each for himself, individually, viz.,

"To John Pierce, Esquire,  
Paymaster General to the Army of the United States,

"Sir:

Please pay to \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer for the \_\_\_\_\_ State Association of the *Cincinnati*, or his order, one month's pay, of our several grades respectively, and deduct the same from the balance which shall be found due to us, on the final liquidation of our accounts, for which this shall be your warrant.

"That the members of the several State Societies assemble as soon as may be, for the choice of their President and other officers and that the Presidents correspond together and appoint a meeting of the Officers who may be chosen for each State in order to pursue such further measures as may be judged necessary.

"That the General Officers, and the Officers delegated to represent the several corps of the Army, subscribe to the Institution of the General Society, for themselves and their Constituents, in the manner and form before prescribed.

"That

General Heath  
General Baron de Steuben, and  
General Knox

be a committee to wait on His Excellency the Commander in Chief with a Copy of the Institution and request him to honor the Society, by placing his name at the head of it.

"That Major General Heath, Second in Command in this Army, be and he hereby is desired to transmit copies of the Institution, with the proceedings thereon, to the Commanding Officer of the Southern Army, the Senior Officer in each State, from Pennsylvania to Georgia, inclusive, and to the Commanding Officer of the Rhode Island Line, requesting them to communicate the same to the Officers under their several Commands, and to take such measures as may appear to them necessary for expediting the establishment of their State Societies, and sending a delegation to represent them in the first General Meeting, to be holden on the First Monday in May, 1784.

"The meeting then adjourned without day.

"STEUBEN

"Maj. Genl; President."

#### PRESIDENTS GENERAL

The following is a full list of the Presidents General of the Society with the dates of their election.

- 1783 GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON, Commander-in-Chief, member at large.
- 1800 MAJOR-GENERAL ALEXANDER HAMILTON, New York.
- 1805 MAJOR-GENERAL CHARLES COTESWORTH PINCKNEY, South Carolina.

- 1825 MAJOR-GENERAL THOMAS PINCKNEY, South Carolina.
- 1829 MAJOR-GENERAL AARON OGDEN, New Jersey.
- 1839 MAJOR-GENERAL MORGAN LEWIS, New York.
- 1844 BREVET-MAJOR WILLIAM POPHAM,\* New York.
- 1848 BRIG.-GENERAL HENRY ALEXANDER SCAMMEL  
DEARBORN, Massachusetts.
- 1854 HONORABLE HAMILTON FISH, New York.
- 1896 HONORABLE WILLIAM WAYNE, Pennsylvania.
- 1902 HONORABLE WINSLOW WARREN, Massachusetts.
- 1932 JOHN COLLINS DAVES, North Carolina.
- 1939 BRYCE METCALF, Connecticut.
- 1950 ISAAC ANDERSON PENNYPACKER, Maryland.
- 1950 MAJOR-GENERAL EDGAR ERSKINE HUME, Virginia.
- 1953 COLONEL RICHARD HOOKER WILMER, New Jersey.
- 1956 COLONEL CATESBY AP CATESBY JONES, Virginia.

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\* Last officer of the Continental Army to hold the office.

## THE THIRTEEN STATE SOCIETIES, AND THE SOCIETY OF THE CININNATI IN FRANCE

The Institution provided for the formation of One Society of Friends, but that this General Society should, "for the sake of frequent communications, be divided into State Societies." Accordingly, thirteen State Societies were organized in 1783. Of these, seven became dormant, but were all revived by the year 1899. The New York State Society is one of the six whose life has never been suspended.

At the time of its institution the Society of the Cincinnati, "deeply impressed with a sense of the generous assistance this country has received from France, and desirous of perpetuating the friendships which have been formed, and so happily subsisted, between the officers of the allied forces, in the prosecution of the War", invited the officers of the French navy and army to become members. A French branch of the Society was therefore formed, but the Reign of Terror, by August, 1792, had destroyed

or dispersed its members; and it was not until 1922 that the Society of the Cincinnati in France was reorganized by the descendants of the French officers of the American Revolution. The General Society, at its General Meeting in 1926, recognized the French Society as revived and entitled to all the rights and privileges of a State Society.

## GENERAL SOCIETY HEADQUARTERS

The Headquarters of the General Society is at No. 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D. C., which was deeded to the General Society in May, 1938, by the late Mrs. Larz Anderson, in fulfilment of the wishes long entertained by her late husband, a member of the Virginia Society. In anticipation of the gift the Society applied for, and received, in 1937, a certificate of incorporation under the laws of the District of Columbia, and on February 24, 1938, Congress passed a bill exempting the property from all taxes "subject to the provision that said Society shall maintain therein a National Museum for the custody and preservation of historical documents, relics, archives, especially those pertaining to the American Revolution, which museum shall be accessible to the public at such reasonable hours and under such regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by said Society." This munificent gift embodied not only the mansion of fireproof construction but its contents as well, with paintings by Raeburn, Romney, Hoppner, Lawrence, and Lely, sixteenth century tapestries, Chinese jades and porcelains, and numerous other treasures and objects of value and interest. During recent years, the Anderson House Museum has become an increasingly important repository of relics of the American Revolutionary period. Donations or loans of material relating to that period as well as material relating to the Society of the Cincinnati and its members will be gratefully received.

Anderson House affords an appropriate environment for meetings of the State Societies and of the General Society and is a focal point in the relationship of the constituent societies to the General Society. Rooms in the house are available for the use of members of the Society who visit Washington. Reservations may be made by letter or telephone (DEcatur 2-9100) to the Superintendent, 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington 8, D. C.

## THE GENERAL SOCIETY AND THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY

The General Society holds a meeting every three years, at which the constituent Societies are represented by delegates and alternates. In the past these triennial meetings have been held in more or less regular succession in the thirteen original states, the local Society acting as host.

The Incorporated Society was organized in the District of Columbia in 1937 in order to hold the title to the Anderson House and adjacent real estate in Washington, D. C., to manage said real property, and to receive, collect and manage all gifts of money and other personal property, for the purposes and uses defined in the Institution, in the instruments of donation and in the Act of Congress of February 24, 1938. The Board of Directors is composed of representatives of the fourteen constituent Societies.

### ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

Eligibility to original membership among Continental Army officers was defined by the founders of the Society of the Cincinnati as existing in officers of the Line (regular army), who held commissions by the Continental Congress and who were included in any of the following classes, viz.:

1. Those officers who were in service at the time of the foundation of the Society in 1783.
2. Those officers previously deranged (honorably retired) by act of the Congress.
3. Those officers who had resigned with honor after having served three years as such in the Continental Line.

The Institution also provided, in the cases of officers who died in service during the war, that, as a testimony of affection to their memory and to their offspring, their eldest male branches should have the same right of becoming members as the children of the actual members of the Society. The Institution has always been construed as including among the officers entitled to membership, those of the Navy and of the Marine Corps.

In order to perpetuate the Society, its founders made provision that the right to membership should descend through "their eldest male posterity and, in failure thereof, the collateral branches who may be judged worthy of becoming its supporters and members." In certain cases, Revolutionary officers who were eligible to membership in the Cincinnati failed to join the Society for one cause or another. In order that their posterity might not be unjustly deprived of the benefits of the services of the said officers, and to hinder the possible extinction of the Society, the General Society at the Triennial Meeting in Baltimore in 1854, passed what has become known as the "Rule of 1854," which was adopted by many of the constituent Societies including the New York State Society.

#### THE RULE OF 1854

"RESOLVED: That each State Society shall have the full right and power to regulate the admission of members, both as to the qualifications of members and the terms of admission; *provided*, that admission be confined to the male descendants of original members or of those who are now members (including collateral branches as contemplated by the original constitution); or to the male descendants of such officers of the army or navy as may have been entitled to admission, but who failed to avail themselves thereof within the time limited by the constitution; or to the male descendants of such officers of the army or navy of the Revolution as may have resigned with honor or left the service with reputation; or to the male collateral relatives of any officer who died in service without leaving issue.

"RESOLVED, that the male descendants of those who were members of State Societies which have been dissolved, may be admitted into existing Societies, upon such terms as those Societies shall think proper to subscribe.

"RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolutions be proposed to the several State Societies and their assent be requested thereto; and upon such assent being given by each of the remaining Societies, the secretary-general shall issue notice thereof to each Society, and thereupon the said resolutions shall become operative, and each State Society shall be at liberty to act upon the power given thereby."

## ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP

Qualifications for eligibility to membership in the New York State Society of the Cincinnati are today as they were defined by the founders, and are personal and hereditary in character. In order to be elected to membership, one must be of lawful age, a gentleman and a man of honor, in sympathy with the interests of the community in general and of the Society in particular. The hereditary requirement calls for descent by male primogeniture from an original member or eligible Revolutionary officer. No waiver in another person's favor of a right to membership is permitted in New York. In case a man, otherwise eligible to be admitted to membership in this State, is unworthy, or fails to exercise his right to become a member, that right remains dormant until his death, when it passes to the person then entitled to membership.

Compare Article XII of the By-Laws of the New York State Society (p. 24, *infra*).

A list of Revolutionary Officers whose proper representatives are eligible for membership in the New York State Society of the Cincinnati will be found at the end of this pamphlet. Gentlemen who believe that they are eligible to membership in the Society are invited to communicate with the Secretary, New York State Society of the Cincinnati, who in the absence of a more specific address, may be addressed at Anderson House, 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D. C.

## ASSOCIATES

Of recent years several of the State Societies have made provisions whereby the eldest sons of members, or other persons apparently or presumptively entitled to succeed to membership, may be elected as *Associates*. Compare Article XIII of the By-Laws of the New York Society (p. 27, *infra*).

Gentlemen who believe they are eligible for election as *Associates* are invited to communicate with the Secretary.

## HONORARY MEMBERS

Admission of honorary members into the Society of the Cincinnati is sanctioned and encouraged by the Institution drawn

by the founders. In this statement of basic rules it is declared that

“As there are, and will at all times be, men in the respective States eminent for their abilities and patriotism, whose views may be directed to the same laudable objects with those of the Cincinnati, it shall be a rule to admit such characters as Honorary Members of the Society, for their own lives only: Provided always, that the number of Honorary Members in each State, does not exceed a ratio of one to four of the officers or their descendants.”

In the early days of the Society numerous honorary members were elected in some of the State Societies and the custom has been continued. Among the eminent men who have been elected Honorary Members in the New York State Society, have been John Morin Scott, James Duane, Robert R. Livingston, Gouverneur Morris, William Bainbridge, Stephen Decatur, James Lawrence, Oliver Hazard Perry, Isaac Hull, Andrew Jackson, Rufus King, Matthew C. Perry, Zachary Taylor, James Buchanan, David G. Farragut, William Tecumseh Sherman, Ulysses S. Grant, Grover Cleveland, George Dewey, Theodore Roosevelt, Hugh Leonard Scott, Elihu Root, Albert, King of the Belgians, Robert Georges Nivelle, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Nicholas Murray Butler, Cordell Hull, Douglas MacArthur, Omar N. Bradley and J. Edgar Hoover.

## FUNDS

At the time of the foundation of the Society, each member contributed toward the permanent fund of his state body a sum of money equal to one month's pay. This fund has been kept intact in the New York Society, and the interest from it used in part to contribute toward the support of widows and orphans of deceased members who may be under the necessity of receiving aid. Persons admitted to the New York Society in the right of officers who signed the roll as original members are not required to pay any fee, since their contribution has been already paid. Those admitted by right of descent from Revolutionary officers whose services secured to them the right of eligibility, but who did not join the Society, are required to contribute a sum

equal to one month's pay of their respective officer ancestors. See Article XII, Section 6 (p. 25, *infra*).

The following pay table for infantry officers of the Continental Line was adopted by the Congress on May 27th, 1778:

Rank	Pay per month
Colonel -----	\$75
Lieutenant-Colonel -----	60
Major -----	50
Captain -----	40
Captain-Lieutenant -----	26 2/3
Lieutenant -----	26 2/3
Ensign -----	20
Surgeon -----	60
Surgeon's Mate -----	40
Paymaster, taken from the Line, and to receive in addition to his line pay ---	20
Quartermaster, taken as above and paid as above -----	13
Adjutant, taken as above and paid as above -----	13

There are no dues or assessments in the New York State Society of the Cincinnati.

The Fund of the Society is not large, and gifts and bequests will be welcome. Bequests should be made to "The Trustees of the New York State Society of the Cincinnati."

## INSIGNIA

All applications for insignia, which includes the Eagle, Rosette and Narrow Ribbon, should be submitted to the Secretary, New York State Society of the Cincinnati.

### Manner of Wearing Insignia with Civilian Dress:

The Eagle, suspended from a ribbon of the Society, one and one-half inches in length, may be worn on the left lapel of a civilian coat (not an overcoat).

The Eagle, suspended from a ribbon of the Society, may be worn around the neck not more than one inch below the tie, but only with full civilian evening dress ("white tie").

The Eagle should never be worn as a watch-fob, charm, or other article of jewelry.

The Rosette may be worn by members at all times on the left lapel of a civilian coat (not an overcoat). It should not be worn with the Eagle.

The Narrow Ribbon authorized to be worn by Associates should be worn in the same manner as the Rosette.

#### Manner of Wearing Insignia on Uniforms:

The Eagle may be worn at all meetings and on occasions of ceremony of the Society of the Cincinnati by officers and enlisted men of the Armed Forces who are members in accordance with service regulations.

#### DIPLOMA

In addition to the Certificate of Membership, referred to in Article XVI of the By-Laws, there is also available to members a parchment diploma signed by the President General and the Secretary General of the Society of the Cincinnati, printed from the original copper plate, designed by Major L'Enfant and engraved in France in 1784. Requests for the purchase of this diploma should be addressed to the Secretary, New York State Society of the Cincinnati, accompanied by a remittance of ten dollars.

BY-LAWS OF THE NEW YORK STATE SOCIETY  
OF THE CINCINNATI

(as amended to and including May 10, 1957)

ARTICLE I

OFFICERS

The officers of the Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Secretary, an Assistant Treasurer, a Chaplain, a Surgeon and a Sergeant-at-Arms, all of whom shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting on the tenth of May in every year.

ARTICLE II

ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the tenth of May in every year. The Society shall also celebrate in every year Washington's Birthday, the twenty-second day of February, and Evacuation Day, the twenty-fifth day of November. Provided that when the twenty-fifth day of November shall be the same day observed as Thanksgiving Day, then and in that case in place thereof, the fourth day of December, being the anniversary of the formal evacuation of New York by the British army as a relinquishment of territorial sovereignty, shall be celebrated. If any one of these days shall fall on a Sunday, such meeting shall be held on the following day. The Society shall also celebrate any other occasions directed by the Standing Committee.

SECTION 2. Special meetings shall be called by the President or by direction of the Standing Committee or upon the request in writing of ten (10) members of the Society. At such special meetings no business shall be transacted except such as shall be specified in the notice therefor.

SECTION 3. Ten days' notice of time and place of all meetings of the Society shall be given by the Secretary, by mailing through the Post Office a written or printed notice to every member of the Society to his recorded direction.

SECTION 4. The place of meetings and celebrations of the Society shall be determined by the Standing Committee.

### ARTICLE III

#### QUORUM

Twelve members of the Society shall constitute a quorum for all purposes.

### ARTICLE IV

#### ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE, DELEGATES, ALTERNATES, TRUSTEES AND REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY

SECTION 1. Nine members, and the officers of the Society, shall constitute the Standing Committee.

At every annual meeting, there shall be elected three members to the Standing Committee for the term of three years, to take the places of those members thereof whose terms shall then expire, and such additional members as shall be needed to fill vacancies in any yearly class.

SECTION 2. No member shall be eligible for election as a member of the Standing Committee until one year shall have elapsed since he last was a member thereof.

SECTION 3. No member shall be eligible for election to any office of the Society unless he shall have been a member of the Society at least one year.

SECTION 4. At every annual meeting there shall be elected five Delegates and five Alternates to represent the Society in any meeting of the General Society which may be held during the ensuing year. There shall also be elected, three Trustees and a member to represent the Society on the Board of Directors of the Incorporated Society of the Cincinnati.

SECTION 5. All persons holding office in the Society shall continue in their respective functions until their successors shall be duly chosen.

SECTION 6. The expenses of the Delegates to the General Society, and of the Alternates when serving as delegates and of those members who may be designated by the Standing Committee or the President (or in his absence by the Vice-President) to attend any meeting of the General Society, shall be borne by the Society, except when a Delegate shall be an officer of the General Society.

## ARTICLE V

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A Committee of five members shall be balloted for and elected at the annual meeting in every year, whose duty it shall be, upon the call of the chairman thereof, to convene and nominate a ticket for the respective offices of the Society, to be voted for at the ensuing annual meeting. Such ticket thus prepared shall be reported to the Secretary, who shall print and mail the same to every member of the Society, to his recorded direction, at least one month before every annual meeting of the Society. The report of the ticket to the Secretary shall be taken as the report of the Committee, which shall thereupon be considered as discharged. These nominations shall not be taken to preclude any member or members from preparing and offering any ticket they, or any of them may desire. Nominations for members of this Committee shall be made from the floor at every annual meeting of the Society.

## ARTICLE VI

### METHOD OF ELECTION

SECTION 1. The election of the officers of the Society, the members of the Standing Committee, the Delegates and Alternates to the General Society, the Trustees, and a member to represent the Society on the Board of Directors of the Incorporated Society of the Cincinnati, and the Nominating Committee shall be by ballot, and the persons having the largest number of votes cast for the respective places shall be elected.

SECTION 2. The vote upon the admission of new members or associates, and the election of honorary members shall in all cases be taken by secret ballot. The affirmative votes of three-fourths of the members present and voting shall be necessary for the admission of a new member or associate, provided that honorary members shall be elected as provided in Article XIV. A list of the names of candidates for election as hereditary members, honorary members and associates, who have been approved by the Standing Committee, shall be included with the notice of meeting of the Society at which they shall be voted upon. This notice shall be sent to every member of the Society as required by Section 3 of Article II.

SECTION 3. In case of death or resignation or inability to serve of the member of any committee, except the Nominating Committee, the president is hereby empowered to appoint a substitute from among the members and it shall be the duty of such appointee to serve on such committee until the vacancy can be filled by election by the Standing Committee.

## ARTICLE VII

### PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Standing Committee. He shall be a member *ex officio* of all committees except the Nominating Committee. If he be absent the Vice-President shall preside; if both be absent the meeting shall elect a chairman *pro tempore*. In the case of the inability of the President for any cause to act in that capacity, the duties of the office shall in all particulars and powers devolve upon the Vice-President until the President shall return or the inability cease. The President shall represent the Society on the Standing Committee of the General Society and, in the case of his inability to serve, he shall designate a member of the Standing Committee of the Society to take his place.

## ARTICLE VIII

### SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY

SECTION 1. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Society, and of the Standing Committee, and shall have the custody of the books and papers belonging to the Society, which shall be subject to the inspection of any member of the Society at reasonable times.

SECTION 2. He shall mail to every member of the Society to his recorded direction, a copy of the Treasurer's annual report with the notice of the annual meeting.

SECTION 3. He shall give notice of the time and place of all meetings and celebrations of the Society, as required by Article II, Section 3.

SECTION 4. He shall notify each accepted candidate of his admission to membership and shall provide him with a copy of the Institution and By-laws and a copy of the current Roster.

SECTION 5. He shall submit a report at every annual meeting which shall include a list of members elected and a list of members

deceased since the last annual meeting, and any other matters of interest to the membership. He shall forward a copy of the minutes of every annual meeting, within sixty days thereafter, to every member of the Society.

SECTION 6. He shall keep a book in which shall be recorded the date and place of birth of every member, and such other facts concerning his personal history as may enable a proper biographical sketch to be prepared. He shall also keep a carefully prepared necrological list.

SECTION 7. He shall issue vouchers for all expenditures authorized by the Standing Committee, or by the Society, or by any two Officers of the Society, and forward same to the Treasurer.

SECTION 8. The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary in the performance of his duties.

SECTION 9. In case of the absence of the Secretary, or his inability for any cause to act in that capacity, the duties of the office shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, until the Secretary shall return, or the inability cease.

## ARTICLE IX

### TREASURER AND ASSISTANT TREASURER

SECTION 1. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society arising from the interest or income of the Society's funds, or other sources of revenue. He shall keep an account with one or more banks or trust companies in the City of New York, as designated by the Standing Committee, in which he shall deposit all moneys so received by him on account of the Society, in the name and to the credit of "The New York State Society of the Cincinnati", subject to draft by checks signed by the Treasurer and one other officer of the Society. He shall keep regular accounts, and submit them to the inspection of the Standing Committee whenever required by them to do so. He shall present an annual report for the previous calendar year and account of all moneys received and paid out by him during the year, and shall submit the same, together with the vouchers for his payments, to the Auditing Committee, in time for the same to be examined by them, and to be presented to the Society at the annual meeting. He shall not pay out any money belonging

to the Society, unless authorized to do so by the Society, or by the Standing Committee, or by any two Officers of the Society.

SECTION 2. He shall, so far as possible, separate and preserve distinct so much of the funds of the Society as is of the one month's pay delivered to the Treasurer of the State Society by the original members, together with all donations made "for the express purpose of forming permanent funds for the use of the State Society", (together with their annual increment) from that portion received from all other sources. These funds shall remain inviolate forever, "the interest only of which, if necessary, to be appropriated to the relief of the unfortunate" members of the Society and their surviving families, by direction of the Standing Committee. If the appropriations for relief do not demand the full amount of the annual interest, so much of the remainder as is needed may be used for the general expenses of the Society, after which, any balance still remaining shall be covered into the permanent fund.

SECTION 3. In case of the absence of the Treasurer or his inability, from any cause, or for any reason whatsoever, to act in that capacity, the duties of the office shall in all particulars and powers devolve upon the Assistant Treasurer, until the Treasurer shall return, or the inability cease.

## ARTICLE X

### SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

The Sergeant-at-Arms shall have charge of the flags and banners of the Society.

## ARTICLE XI

### STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. (a) It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to take care of the general concerns of the Society, as well as of all matters especially committed to them by the Society.

(b) The Standing Committee shall annually appoint five of their members as a *Committee on Claims and Admissions* to which shall be referred all applications for admission to membership.

This Committee shall keep a careful record of its deliberations and decisions and shall report to the Standing Committee.

(c) The Standing Committee shall, from the appropriate funds of the Society, afford relief to the members, or the families of deceased members, who may in their judgment be proper objects for the beneficence of the Society, in such sums and at such times as they shall think proper. The Standing Committee shall annually appoint a *Relief Committee* of three members of the Society to investigate and report on cases where such relief may be needed.

(d) The Standing Committee shall annually appoint two of their own number and one from the members of the Society at large, who shall be an *Entertainment Committee* to arrange for all meetings or celebrations, or any gathering of the Society which there may be at any time; to provide the banquet on every twenty-second day of February, and a suitable entertainment at all other occasions directed to be observed in Article II, Section 1 of these by-laws.

(e) The Standing Committee shall annually appoint an *Auditing Committee* of three members of the Society to examine the Treasurer's accounts and to make a report thereon to the Society at its annual meeting.

(f) The Standing Committee shall examine and audit all bills and claims against the Society, and shall authorize the payment of what they shall deem just demands.

(g) The Standing Committee shall authorize the Secretary to issue vouchers to the Treasurer for all claims which they shall approve.

(h) The Standing Committee shall have power, with the concurrence of the Trustees (referred to in Article XV of these by-laws), or a majority of them, or of the survivors or survivor of said Trustees, from time to time, to call in any of the moneys belonging to the Society, and to invest the same, or to change the investments of the Society's funds.

(i) The Standing Committee shall have the power to appoint proper persons to fill any offices or places which shall become vacant by death, resignation or otherwise; such appointments

to continue until the place be filled by an election by the Society at the annual meeting.

(j) The Standing Committee shall keep a record of their proceedings, which shall be subject to the inspection of any member of the Society, at reasonable times, and which shall be laid before the Society at the annual meeting.

SECTION 2. Stated meetings of the Standing Committee shall be held at least twice in every year. The time and place of meeting, whether stated or special, shall be named by the President, or in case of his inability to act, by the Vice-President, and in case of the inability to act of both the President and Vice-President, the meeting shall be called by three members of the Standing Committee. Notice of the time and place of meeting, shall be given in writing by the Secretary to every member of the Committee, at least two days before the meeting.

SECTION 3. Five members of the Standing Committee shall be a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business, but no payment of money shall be authorized unless seven members be present.

## ARTICLE XII

### ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1. Every person desirous of becoming a member of this Society, shall make application in writing to the Committee on Claims and Admissions, setting forth distinctly and clearly his claim to be admitted. The Committee shall advise thereon, and may demand any proof which they may deem requisite in support of such claim, and any testimonial with respect to the character and standing of the applicant; and they shall report, in writing, the facts of the case, together with their opinion, to the Standing Committee. No application, after adverse decision by the Standing Committee, shall be allowed to be withdrawn. Upon favorable action by the Standing Committee the Committee on Claims and Admissions is authorized to present the candidate's name and qualifications to the Society at a meeting thereof for election in accordance with Section 2 of Article VI. No person shall be admitted as a member unless he shall be twenty-one years of age, nor unless his claim and application for admission shall have been before the Standing Committee prior to the meeting at which he may be voted for as a member.

SECTION 2. No person shall be admitted a member of the Society whatever may be his relation to an original or other member of the Society, unless he be of good moral character and reputation, and be, as required by the Institution, "judged worthy of becoming its supporter and member". Nor shall any person be so admitted unless he shall have been seen and known by a member of the New York State Society, provided that this requirement may be waived if so recommended by resolution of the Standing Committee.

SECTION 3. Eligibility to membership in succession devolving upon a minor, shall be deemed vested in such minor, but the use thereof shall remain in abeyance until the disability cease or be removed.

SECTION 4. Lineal succession to membership in the Society shall be, according to the rules of inheritance at the common law, in "the eldest male posterity (of the Original Member or officer of the Continental Army, Navy or Marine Corps entitled to membership), and in failure thereof the collateral branches who may be judged worthy of becoming its supporters and members." In cases of succession through females, the eldest branch shall be preferred to the younger. The Officer who was an Original Member or who was entitled to membership shall be taken as the "propositus" from whom succession shall be derived.

SECTION 5. When a right of membership, derived from an Original Member or other officer, shall descend in succession to one already a member in another and a different right, the one next after him, in the order of descent from the first-named right, may be admitted to membership in the Society if judged worthy of becoming the supporter and member.

SECTION 6. The eldest male posterity of any New York officer of the Continental Army, Navy or Marine Corps, who was entitled under the Institution to become a party thereto, but who failed to subscribe one month's pay and sign his name to the general rules within six months after the Army was disbanded, may be admitted into this Society, if judged worthy, upon the payment into the treasury of a sum equal to one month's pay of the officer from whom the applicant claims descent. Any person admitted or who may hereafter be admitted to membership in the right of an officer who died in the service, shall not be re-

quired to contribute the one month's pay for which his propositus would have been liable had he been living at the time of the adoption of the Institution.

SECTION 7. Any member of the Society of the Cincinnati from another State Society not acting with the same, removing to, and residing within, this State, may be admitted to membership in this State Society on application and election as provided in these By-laws, and, unless by special order of the Society, on payment into the Treasury of five hundred dollars. Provided, nevertheless, he is qualified for membership in the Society of the Cincinnati under the rules of this State Society; and provided further, that he present to the Standing Committee a certificate of transfer and consent from the secretary of the State Society from which he comes.

SECTION 8. Whenever any person shall be admitted to the right to become a member of the Society, it shall be the duty of the Secretary forthwith, to give him notice thereof. The person thus admitted must thereupon subscribe the roll and pay whatever may be required by the By-laws of the Society, and make orally, or in writing, the following declaration:

"I \_\_\_\_\_, a member-elect of the Society of the Cincinnati, do hereby assume the obligations of its Institution and do bind myself to observe and be governed by its principles, and to conform to the rules and regulations of the New York State Society, for the performance whereof I do pledge my sacred honor."

And in case he neglects so to do for the space of one year from the date of the election admitting him to the right to become a member, such election shall be held to be revoked and void; and he shall not thereafter be entitled to subscribe the roll, or be considered in any way as a member of the Society, or entitled to become such, unless upon a new application for admission, he shall again be admitted to such right, or, unless by a vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting of the Society, the time be extended before or at the time it would otherwise expire.

## ARTICLE XIII

### ASSOCIATES

SECTION 1. The eldest son of a member of the New York State Society of the Cincinnati, or the other person apparently or presumptively entitled to succeed to the right of membership, may, in the discretion of the Society, be elected an "associate" of the Society, in accordance with the provisions of this article.

In a case where a candidate for election as an associate has at the time of his application a presumptive expectation of succeeding to a right of membership, but in the opinion of the Standing Committee such expectation is so doubtful as to render his election inexpedient (as, for instance, a case where the member has no son but is not unlikely to have one), the Standing Committee may reject the application without prejudice to its renewal at a later time.

#### SECTION 2. *Qualifications and Election.*

An associate shall have the following qualifications and be subject to the following requirements:

- (a) He shall have attained the age of twenty-one years.
- (b) His apparent or presumptive right to succeed to membership, and his character, shall have been considered by the Committee on Claims and Admissions and by the Standing Committee, and favorably acted upon, in the same way as is provided in regard to the admission of Members by Section 1 of Article XII.
- (c) He shall have been presented to the Society at one of its business or other meetings, or shall be known to one of the members of the Standing Committee, and this fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the Society or of the Standing Committee.
- (d) An associate may be elected at any meeting of the Society upon recommendation of the Standing Committee, and the election shall be governed by the provisions of Section 2 of Article VI. The names of the candidates recommended by the Standing Committee for election as associates shall be included in the notice of the meeting of the Society at which they shall be voted upon.

SECTION 3. The vesting in another of a prior right to membership in the Society after the election of an associate shall not deprive him of his right to continue as an associate during his life, but such right shall not pass to any of his descendants.

SECTION 4. Upon the death of a member of the Society an associate's application to succeed to the membership shall be considered with the same care, both as to character and as to descent, as if he had not previously been elected an associate.

SECTION 5. Whenever any person shall be elected as an associate of the Society, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give him notice thereof. The person thus elected shall make, orally or in writing, the following declaration:

"I ----- an associate-elect of the Society of the Cincinnati, do hereby assume the obligations of its Institution and do bind myself to observe and be governed by its principles, and to conform to the rules and regulations of the New York State Society; for the performance whereof I do pledge my sacred honor";

And in case he shall neglect so to do for the space of one year from the date of his election as an associate, such election shall be null and void, and he shall not thereafter be in any way considered as an associate of the Society, nor be entitled to become such, unless upon a new application he shall again be admitted as an associate, or unless, by a vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting of the Society, the time be extended before or at the time it would otherwise expire.

SECTION 6. *Privileges and duties of associates.*

(a) An associate shall not be required to pay an initiation fee or annual dues.

(b) On payment of his pro rata share of the expense, an associate may be present at any meeting of the Society and take part in its discussions, but shall have no vote. He shall not have the privilege of inviting guests to such meetings. The Secretary shall notify the associates of the meetings of the Society.

(c) When designated by the President, an associate shall have the privilege of representing the New York State Society of the Cincinnati at any commemorative or other meeting of a patriotic society or upon any other occasion.

(d) An associate shall not wear the Eagle of the Society, nor the button of the Society.

(e) Associates shall have the privilege of wearing in the button-hole of the left lapel of the coat a narrow ( $\frac{1}{8}$  inch) ribbon of the colors of the Society; such wearing indicating an apparent or presumptive right of succession to membership.

## ARTICLE XIV

### HONORARY MEMBERS

A person shall be elected a provisional honorary member of the Society by fourth-fifths vote of those present at a meeting of the Society, after such election shall have been approved by the Standing Committee.

In order to qualify for full honorary membership, a person thus elected a provisional honorary member must, within three years from the date of his election, at a meeting of the Society, subscribe the roll and orally make the declaration required of all members in accordance with Section 8 of Article XII.

Whenever a person shall be elected a provisional honorary member of the Society, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give him notice thereof and to inform him of the above requirement. Upon failure to comply with said requirement such election shall be null and void. However, compliance with said requirement may be waived by unanimous vote of the Standing Committee.

## ARTICLE XV

### INVESTMENTS

SECTION 1. All investments of the funds of the Society shall continue to be in the names of the successors of the three Trustees appointed in 1815, as joint tenants, except that in case of bonds

payable to bearer, the registration in the names of the Trustees shall not be required, but either (a) the same shall be kept in a suitable safe deposit box, access to which shall be limited to the Treasurer (or Assistant Treasurer when acting as Treasurer as provided in Article IX), accompanied by one or more of the Trustees or other officers of the Society, or (b) the same shall be deposited in a custodian account with a bank or trust company in the City of New York, designated by the Standing Committee, and shall not be withdrawn therefrom for sale or otherwise except on the written order of the Treasurer (or Assistant Treasurer when acting as Treasurer as provided in Article IX), countersigned by one of the Trustees of the Society, and except further that any securities held by the said Trustees may be placed in such custodian account and may be registered in the name or names of a nominee or nominees of the bank or trust company with which said custodian account is maintained.

SECTION 2. All money paid into the treasury by persons admitted in pursuance of the foregoing rules and regulations, shall be considered as part of the funds or principal money belonging to the Society, and shall be invested as may be directed by the Standing Committee.

## ARTICLE XVI

### CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP

Every member upon his admission shall be entitled to receive a Certificate of Membership signed by the President of the Society and countersigned by the Secretary, for which certificate he shall pay the Treasurer the sum of fifteen dollars.

## ARTICLE XVII

### EAGLES AND CERTIFICATES, HEIRLOOMS

The Eagle, Ribbon and Certificate of Membership in the Society are to be considered heirlooms and pass by inheritance and descent to the hereditary successors who become members of the Society. In the case of honorary members, there being no right of descent they shall always belong to and be deemed the property of the

Society and on the death of the member, revert to and be delivered to it. No person other than a member shall be authorized or entitled to wear the Eagle or the ribbon of the Society.

## ARTICLE XVIII

### TRANSACTIONS, MATTERS OF CONFIDENCE

The members of this Society shall be considered bound in honor to keep secret any matter offered in debate, or any individual opinion expressed, respecting the admission, election, or expulsion of any member.

## ARTICLE XIX

### PERMANENT FUND

The fund of this State Society, having been contributed by the members at its formation, is held for the relief of the Hereditary Members thereof and their families, who may be in need of such relief, and therefore, cannot be appropriated to the relief of those whose ancestors were not Original Members of this State Society. Provided, that a member admitted in the right of an Original Member of any State Society; or a member from any other State Society, removing to and residing within this State, admitted into this State Society; who shall have paid as a condition of his membership, into the Treasury of this Society such sum as this State Society may from time to time establish; or a member admitted to this Society in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Article XII of these by-laws; shall have (and his family shall have) the same claim on the funds of this Society, as if the Original Member, in whose right he was admitted, had contributed his month's pay thereto.

## ARTICLE XX

### PARLIAMENTARY LAW

The rules of parliamentary law, when applicable, shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except when otherwise provided by special rules of the Society.

## ARTICLE XXI

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Prayer by the Chaplain.
2. Roll Call.
3. Reading of the Minutes of meetings of the Society and Standing Committee, not previously acted upon.
4. Election of Members and Associates.
5. Investiture of Members.
6. Reading of the Principles of the Institution.
7. Communications.
8. Reports.
9. Election of Officers, Standing Committee, Delegates, Alternates, Trustees, Representative on the Board of Directors of the Incorporated Society, Nominating Committee.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New business.
12. Adjournment.

## ARTICLE XXII

### AMENDMENTS

Any by-law may be repealed or amended, or any new one adopted, at any meeting of the Society by a majority vote of those present; provided the proposed repeal, amendment, or new by-law shall have been approved by the Standing Committee, and a copy thereof, with notice that it will come before the meeting for consideration, shall have been sent by mail to each member of the Society at least ten days before such meeting.

# New York State Society of the Cincinnati

## LIST OF REVOLUTIONARY OFFICERS

### REPRESENTED OR ENTITLED TO REPRESENTATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE SOCIETY OF THE CINCINNATI.

The names are recorded below in three distinct categories, each designated by a different style of type, as follows:

#### I. CAPITALS:

a. Original Members of the New York State Society of the Cincinnati -----	202
b. Original Members, resident in New York, who signed the original Parchment Roll, but who were unaffiliated with any of the State Societies--	6
c. Original Members of other State Societies who subsequently transferred to the New York State Society of the Cincinnati, or who are, as of May 10, 1957, represented in the New York State Society of the Cincinnati -----	38

#### II. Ordinary type:

Officers whose military services appear to indicate that their proper representatives are eligible for membership in the New York State Society of the Cincinnati -----	192
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#### III. *Italics*:

Officers who were killed in action or died in service	35
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TOTAL ----- 473

#### NOTE:

1. An asterisk (\*) preceding the name of an Officer, indicates that he is represented in the New York State Society, as of May 10, 1957
2. A double asterisk (\*\*) preceding the name of an Officer, indicates that he has been represented in the New York State Society, but is not represented as of May 10, 1957
3. A dagger (†) preceding the name of an Officer, indicates that he is represented in one of the other State Societies as of May 10, 1957

Adams, William, Surgeon  
 \*\* ADDOMS, JONAS, Second Lieutenant  
 \* ALDEN, ROGER, Major  
 \* ANSPACH, PETER, Lieutenant  
 \* ANTILL, EDWARD, Lieutenant-Colonel  
 \* AORSON, AARON, Captain  
 Archbald, Edward, Captain-Lieutenant  
  
 BAGLEY, JOSIAH, Lieutenant  
 Banks, John, Lieutenant  
 Barclay, Hugh, Colonel  
 \* BARD, JOHN, JR., Captain  
 Barr, John, Ensign  
 Barrett, James, Second Lieutenant  
 Bateman, John, Lieutenant  
 \* BAUMAN, SEBASTIAN, Major  
 Beardsley, Gershom, Surgeon's Mate  
 \* BEEKMAN, TJERCK, Second Lieutenant  
*Belknap, John, Captain*  
 \*\* BELKNAP, WILLIAM, Second Lieutenant  
 Benson, Robert, Lieutenant-Colonel  
 Betts, James, Lieutenant  
 Bevier, Philip DuBois, Captain  
 \* BICKER, WALTER, Captain  
 Bill, Elijah, Lieutenant  
 Birdsall, Daniel, Second Lieutenant  
 Black, James, Captain  
 Blackley, John, Second Lieutenant  
 \* BLEECKER, LEONARD, Captain  
 Bogardus, Benjamin, Second Lieutenant  
 Bogert, Isaac, Lieutenant  
 Bowen, Prentice, Captain  
 \* BRADFORD, JAMES, Lieutenant  
 Brewer, Garret, Lieutenant  
 BREWSTER, CALEB, Captain-Lieutenant  
 BREWSTER, JAMES, Captain-Lieutenant  
 Brindley, Francis, Lieutenant  
 \* BROOKS, DAVID, Lieutenant  
 BROWN, JOSEPH, Surgeon  
 BRUYN, JACOBUS SEVERYN, Lieutenant-Colonel

Bull, William, Captain  
Burnet, John, Lieutenant  
\*BURNET, ROBERT, JR., Second Lieutenant  
Burnett, Robert, Major  
*Burnside, John, Second-Lieutenant*  
\*BURR, AARON, Lieutenant-Colonel  
\*BURRALL, JONATHAN, Dept. Paymaster

CADY, PALMER, Lieutenant  
Campbell, Donald, Colonel  
CAMPBELL, DUNCAN, Second Lieutenant  
Campbell, John, Second Lieutenant  
CAPE, JOHN, Lieutenant  
CARPENTER, NEHEMIAH, Lieutenant  
Causten, Isaac, Captain  
Cebra, William, Second Lieutenant  
Chandonet, Francis, Lieutenant  
\**Cheesman, Jacob, Captain*  
\*CHRYSTIE, JAMES, Captain  
\*CLARKSON, MATTHEW, Major  
\*CLINTON, ALEXANDER, Second Lieutenant  
\*CLINTON, GEORGE, Brigadier-General  
\*CLINTON, JAMES, Brigadier-General  
\*\*COCHRAN, JOHN, Surgeon-General  
COCHRAN, ROBERT, Lieutenant-Colonel  
\*CODWISE, CHRISTOPHER, Lieutenant  
COLBRATH, WILLIAM, Lieutenant  
Cone, Joseph, Lieutenant  
Conine, Philip, Captain-Lieutenant  
*Conklin, Silvanus, Lieutenant*  
\*CONNOLLY, MICHAEL, Lieutenant  
†CONWAY, JOHN, Lieutenant-Colonel (N. J.)  
Conyngham, Cornelius, Surgeon's-Mate  
Cook, Ezekiel, Ensign  
Cooke, Samuel, Surgeon  
†COOPER, SAMUEL, Lieutenant (Mass.)  
\*Copp, John, Captain  
Coventry, John H., Surgeon's-Mate  
CRAIGIE, ANDREW, Apothecary-General  
CRIMSHEIR, JOHN DUTTON, Lieutenant

Cronin, Patrick, Captain  
\*CROSBY, EBENEZER, Surgeon  
CUNNINGHAM, HENRY, Lieutenant  
Cutting, John Brown, Surgeon's-Mate  
\*Cuyler, Jacob, Lieutenant

DAVIDSON, JAMES, Commissary  
Davis, John, Major  
Delavan, Daniel, Captain  
Delezeume, Joseph, Captain  
\*DEMING, POWNAL, Lieutenant (Conn.)  
DEMLER, HENRY, Second Lieutenant  
DENISTON, DANIEL, Lieutenant  
DENNISTON, GEORGE I., Lieutenant  
Denny, John, Captain  
*De Peyster, William Walter, Ensign*  
DE ROUSSY, PIERRE REGNIER, Lieutenant-Colonel  
Desdevans, Maurice, Captain  
\*\*DE WITT, SIMEON, Geographer  
De Witt, Thomas, Major  
*Diefendorf, Henry, Captain*  
Dodge, Henry, Captain-Lieutenant  
\*DODGE, SAMUEL, Lieutenant  
DODGE, SAMUEL, JR., Ensign  
DOUGHTY, JOHN, Captain  
Dow, Alexander, Captain-Lieutenant  
Drake, Joshua, Captain  
\*\*DuBOIS, HENRY, Captain  
DuBois, Lewis, Colonel  
Dunning, Michael, Jr., Captain  
\*\*DUNSCOMB, EDWARD, Captain  
*Dyckman, Abraham, Captain*

Earl, Nathaniel, Lieutenant  
Egberts, Jacob Visscher, Surgeon's-Mate  
ELLIOTT, JOHN, Surgeon's-Mate  
Elsworth, Peter, Captain-Lieutenant  
ENGLIS, ANDREW, Captain-Lieutenant  
English, Samuel, Lieutenant  
Evans, Israel, Brigade Chaplain

- \*FAIRLIE, JAMES, Major
- \**Falls, Edward, Second-Lieutenant*
- Faulknier, Thomas, Lieutenant
- FENNO, EPHRAIM, Captain-Lieutenant
- Ferriole, Alexander, Lieutenant
- Finck, Andrew, Jr., Captain
- \*FISH, NICHOLAS, Major
- FLEMING, GEORGE, Captain
- FONDEY, DOUW JELLIS, Ensign
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- French, Abner, Captain
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- Gildersleve, Finch, Lieutenant
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